

# In the Indiana Supreme Court

CAUSE NUMBER: 94S00-        -MS-

## ORDER AMENDING PARENTING TIME GUIDELINES

Under the authority vested in this Court to provide by rule for the procedure employed in all courts of this state and this Court's inherent authority to supervise the administration of all courts of this state, Guidelines D and E of the *Indiana Parenting Time Guidelines* are amended to read as follows (deletions shown by ~~striking~~ and new text shown by underlining):

### INDIANA PARENTING TIME GUIDELINES

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#### D. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

##### *Commentary*

*A child may suffer inconvenience, embarrassment, and physical or emotional harm when parents fail to actively obtain and share information. Parents should take the initiative to obtain information about their child from the various providers of services.*

**1. School Records.** Each parent shall promptly provide the other with copies of a child's grade reports and notices from school as they are received. A parent shall not interfere with the right of the other parent to communicate directly with school personnel concerning a child.

##### *Commentary*

*Under Indiana law, both parents are entitled to direct access to their child's school records, Indiana Code § ~~20-10-1-22.4-220-33-7-2~~.*

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#### E. RESOLUTION OF PROBLEMS

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**4. Relocation.** When either parent considers a change of residence, reasonable advance notice of the intent to move shall be provided to the other parent so they can discuss necessary changes in the parenting schedule as well as the allocation of transportation costs in exercising parenting time which may result from the move.

***Commentary***

***1. Impact Of Move.*** Parents should recognize the impact that a change of residence may have on a child and on the established parenting time. The welfare of the child should be a priority in making the decision to move.

***2. Indiana Law.*** Indiana law (Ind. Code § 31-14-13-10 and Ind. Code § ~~31-17-2-23~~31-17-2.2-3) require that if a custodial parent intends to move outside Indiana, or more than one hundred (100) miles from the individual's county of residence, a notice of intent to move must be filed with the clerk of the court that issued the custody order, and a copy of the notice must be sent to the other parent.

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These amendments shall take effect January 1, 2008.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the clerk of each circuit court in the state of Indiana; Attorney General of Indiana; Legislative Services Agency and its Office of Code Revision; Administrator, Indiana Supreme Court; Administrator, Indiana Court of Appeals; Administrator, Indiana Tax Court; Public Defender of Indiana; Prosecuting Attorney's Council; Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission; Indiana Supreme Court Commission for Continuing Legal Education; Indiana Board of Law Examiners; Indiana Judicial Center; Division of State Court Administration; Indiana Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program; the libraries of all law schools in this state; the Michie Company; and the West Group.

The West Group is directed to publish this Order in the advance sheets of this Court.

The Clerks of the Circuit Courts are directed to bring this Order to the attention of all judges within their respective counties and to post this Order for examination by the Bar and general public.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2007.

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Randall T. Shepard  
Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.